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In re application of:

Brown, et al

Application No.: 10/760,627

Group No.: 2882

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01/20/04

Examiner: Thomas R. Artman

For:

Computed Tomography Scanning

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#### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

- NOTE: "An information disclosure statement shall be considered by the Office if filed by the applicant:
  - (1) Within three months of the filing date of a national application;
  - (2) Within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in section 1.491 in an international application; or
  - (3) Before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits, whichever event occurs last." 37 C.F.R. section 1.97(b).
- NOTE: "Each individual associated with the filing and prosecution of a patent application has a duty of candor and good faith in dealing with the Office, which includes a duty to disclose to the Office all information known to that individual to be material to patentability as defined in this section." 37 C.F.R. section 1.56(a).

"Individuals associated with the filing or prosecution of a patent application within the meaning of this section are:

- (1) each inventor named in the application;
- (2) each attorney or agent who prepares or prosecutes the application; and
- (3) every other person who is substantively involved in the preparation or prosecution of the application and who is associated with the inventor, with the assignee or with anyone to whom there is an obligation to assign the application." 37 C.F.R. section 1.56(c).
- NOTE: The "duty as described in section 1.56 will be met so long as the information in question was cited by the Office or submitted to the Office in the manner prescribed by sections 1.97(b) (d) and 1.98 before issuance of the patent." Notice of January 9, 1992, 1135 O.G. 13-25 at 17.

WARNING: "No information disclosure statement may be filed in a provisional application." 37 C.F.R. section 1.51(b).

#### List of Sections Forming Part of This Information Disclosure Statement

The following sections are being submitted for this Information Disclosure Statement:

(check sections forming a part of this statement: disC.F.R.d unused sections and number pages consecutively)

- 1. [x]Preliminary Statements
- 2. [x]Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B (substitute for Form PTO-1449)
- 3. [ ]Statement as to Information Not Found in Patents or Publications
- 4. [ ]Identification of Prior Application in Which Listed Information Was Already Cited and for Which No Copies Are Submitted or Need Be Submitted
- 5. [ ]Cumulative Patents or Publications
- 6. [x]Copies of Listed Information Items Accompanying This Statement
- 7. [x]Concise Explanation of Non-English Language Listed Information Items
  - 7A. [x]EPO Search Report
  - 7B. [ ]English Language Version of EPO Search Report
- 8. [x]Translation(s) of Non-English Language Documents
- 9. [ ]Concise Explanation of English Language Listed Information Items (Optional)
- 10. [x]Identification of Person(s) Making This Information Disclosure Statement

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Sections , respectively, have been continued on ADDED PAGE(S).

NOTE: "Once the minimum requirements are met, the examiner has an obligation to consider the information." Notice of April 20, 1992 (1138 O.G. 37-41, 37).

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#### Section 1. Preliminary statements

Applicants submit herewith patents, publications or other information, of which they are aware that they believe may be material to the examination of this application, and in respect of which, there may be a duty to disclose.

The filing of this information disclosure statement shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made (37 C.F.R. section 1.97(g)), an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability, or that no other material information exists.

The filing of this information disclosure statement shall not be construed as an admission against interest in any manner. Notice of January 9, 1992, 1135 O.G. 13-25, at 25.

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TION 2. FORMS PTO/SB/08A and 08B (formerly Form PTO-1449)

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# LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR APPLICANT'S INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

	U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner	Reference	Document	Issue Date	Inventor	Class/Subclass			
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	AB	US 6,076,005	06/13/2000	Sontag, et al	600/413			

	U.S. PATENT PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS								
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·	AC	US2003/007593	01/09/2003	Heuscher, et al	378/4				
	AD	US2003/0007601	01/09/2003	Jaffray, et al	378/65				
	AE	US2002/0015923	08/22/2002	Erbel	600/407				

	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
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	AF	WO	2004/062501	29/07/2004	Konin-Klijke	A61B 6/00			
					Philips				
					Electronics				
	AG	WO	01/67960 A3	20/09/2001	Cedara	A61B 5/024			
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#### Section 6. Copies of Listed Information Items Accompanying This Statement

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. section 1.98(a)(2) requires that any information disclosure statement filed under section 1.97 shall include:

"A legible copy of: (1) Each U.S. and foreign patent; (ii) Each publication or that portion which caused it to be listed; and (iii) All other information or that portion which caused it to be listed, except that no copy of a U.S. patent application need be included..."

NOTE: The wording in section 1.98(a)(2)(iii) makes it clear that the requirement to submit a copy of each item of information listed in an information disclosure statement does not apply to the citation of a U.S. patent application. Notice of January 9, 1992, 1135 O.G. 13-25, at 14.

Legible copies of all items listed in Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B (substitute for Form PTO-1449) accompany this information statement.

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[x ]Exception(s) to above:

[ ]Items in prior application, from which an earlier filing date is claimed for this application, as identified in Section 4.

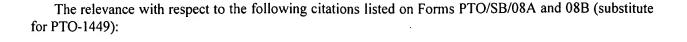
[ ]Cumulative patents or publications identified in Section 5.

U.S. patent citations are not included pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98 9(a)(2)(i) and 37 CFR 1.491(b), in which the USPTO waived the requirement for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003 and for all international applications that have entered the national stage under 35 USC § 371 after June 30, 2003.

#### Section 7. Concise Explanation of Non-English Language List Information Items

- NOTE: "A concise explanation of the relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in section 1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information of each patent, publication, or other information listed that is not in the English language shall be included in any information disclosure statement filed under section 1.97. The concise explanation may be either separate from the specification or incorporated therein." 37 C.F.R. section 1.98(a)(3).
- NOTE: "[T]he explanation required is limited to the relevance as understood by the individual designated in section 1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information at the time the information is submitted to the Office." Notice of January 9, 1992, 1135 O.G. 13-25 at 14.
- NOTE: "Where the information listed is not in the English language, but was cited in a search report by a foreign patent officer, the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance is satisfied by submitting an English language version of the search report." Notice of January 9, 1992, 1135 O.G. 13-25. at 14.
- NOTE: "The concise explanation requirement for non-English language information may be met by submission of an English language version of the search report indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office." Notice of January 9, 1992, 1135 O.G. 13-25, at 20.
- WARNING: "The requirement in section 1.98(a)(3) for a concise explanation of non-English language information would not be satisfied by a statement that a reference was cited in the prosecution of a parent application." Notice of January 9,1992, 1135 O.G. 13-25 at 20 (emphasis added).

# Section 7A. Concise Explanation of Non-English Language Listed Information Items—EPO Search Report



is submitted on the basis of the accompanying:

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[X]EPO search report that is in the English language,

[ ]EPO search report that is not in the English language and that is accompanied also by an English language version of the EPO search report,

that issued on the corresponding European patent application.

#### Section 8. Translation(s) of Non-English Language Documents

- NOTE: "If a written English language translation of a non-English language document, or portion thereof, is within the possession, custody or control of, or is readily available to any individual designated in section 1.56(c), a copy of the translation shall accompany the statement." 37 C.F.R. section 1.98(c).
- NOTE: "The Office does not intend to require translations unless they have been reduced to writing and are actually translations of what is contained in the non-English language information. Applicants should note, however, that most examiners do not have the ability to understand information which is not in English and that the Office will not routinely translate information submitted in a non-English language. The examiner will consider the information insofar as it is understood on its face, e.g., drawings, chemical formulas, English language abstracts, but will not have the information translated unless it appears to be necessary to do so. Applicants are required to aid the examiner by complying with the requirements for a concise explanation in section 1.98(a)(3) for information submitted in a non-English language." Notice of January 9, 1992, 1135 O.G. 13-25, at 21.
- NOTE: "The examiner will indicate that the non-English language information has been considered in the same manner as consideration is indicated for information submitted in English." Notice of April 20, 1992 (1138 O.G. 37-41, 41).
  - [X] Submitted herewith is an English translation of the following foreign language patents, publications or information or of those portions of those patents, publications or information considered to be material:

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## (complete the following, if applicable)

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# Section 10. Identification of Person(s) Making This Information Disclosure Statement

The person making this certification is	
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